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#### Nitish Kumar was offered to be PM by INDIA bloc- JD(V)

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New Delhi: Ahead of the swearing in of Prime Minister Narendra Modi-led National Democratic Alliance government on Sunday, key ally of the ruling block Janata Dal (United) has claimed that the opposition INDIA bloc leaders made an offer of Prime Ministership to their su-premo and Bihar Chief Minister Nitish Kumar.

Speaking to the media persons in the midst of hectic negotiations around the contours of the new union council of ministers, Janata Dal (United) general secretary, KC Tyagi, on Saturday said, "Proposals to the extent of the offer of Prime Ministership to JDU president, Nitish Kumar have also come from the opposition INDIA alliance leaders. These are the same people who had problems making Nitish Kumar the convenor of their block. Some INDIA leaders even wanted to speak to Nitish Kumar in this regard, but the party decided, that it is not going to look back "

Tvagi said the JDU will stay in alliance with the BJP-led NDA, as clarified by Nitish Kumar on Friday while endorsing the candidature of Narendra Modi as Prime Minister and NDA leader in the Parlia-

Tyagi said Nitish Kumar was the architect of the opposition INDIA alliance and was humiliated by that camp.

Tyagi recalled how Rahul Gandhi vetoed the declaration of Nitish Kumar, as the convenor of INDIA at a crucial meeting of the alliance, immediately after which Kumar quit the block and rejoined NDA. Gandhi had said the proposal needs vetting by TMC's Mamata Banerjee who was



not in that meeting. Meanwhile, the JDU is learnt to be keen on the cabinet portfolio of railway ministry, which the BJP is unlikely to part with given its importance to Prime Minister Modi's infrastructure push in the country. Nitish may also want advancement of Bihar polls to reap advantage of the ground support his party got in Lok Sabha elec-tions besides financial aid for the state.

Meetings are currently underway between top BJP brass and the Prime Minister to finalise the portfolios for the swearing-in of the new government at 7:15 pm at the forecourt of Rashtrapati Bhavan.

Nearly 9,000 people are on the guest list for the mega event, including several heads of neighbouring countries, rat miners who helped save lives of workers in the Silkyara tunnel of Uttarkashi last year, sanitation workers, and labourers engaged with flagship projects of the government, including those who built the new Parliament building and are involved with aspirational projects such as Vande Bharat trains, key infrastructure projects in the country among others.

# Resolution passed to appoint Rahul Gandhi

#### **THE AMAN SANDESH TIMES**

New Delhi : The Congress Working Committee on Sat-urday unanimously passed the resolution to make Rahul Gandhi the Leader of Opposition in the Lok Sabha.

Rahul Gandhi won the Lok Sabha elections from Rae Bareli in Uttar Pradesh and Wayanad in Kerala.

Several party leaders joined the clamour for Rahul Gandhi to take up the post even as the Congress deliberated on the general election results at the CWC meeting. "Our demand is the same as that of 140 crore people of the country that Rahul Gandhi has to take the position of the leader of the opposition," Telangana Chief Minister Revanth Reddy said when asked whether Gandhi should assume the position of Leader of Opposition in the House.

"Rahul Gandhi has taken the responsibility of fighting for the cause of farmers, women and unemployment for the last 10 years," he asserted.

"Rahul Gandhi said he will make a decision very soon," said Con-



gress general secretary K C Venugopal on CWC urging him to take up role of LoP.

He said the CWC also adopted the resolutions hailing role of Mallikarjun Kharge, Sonia Gandhi, Rahul Gandhi and Priyanka Gandhi in Lok Sabha polls.

In the election results announced on June 4, the Congress emerged as the second-largest party in the Lok Sabha. This will be the first time that the Congress, since its ouster from power in 2014, will get the post of Leader of Opposition in the Lok Sabha.

It failed to get the position in the past 10 years as its tally was below the requisite 10 per cent of total seats in the House, both in 2014 and 2019. — with PTI

## Maldives President 'honoured' on invite

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**New Delhi :** Maldivian President Mohamed Muizzu on Saturday said that he would be honoured to attend Narendra Modi's swearing-in ceremony and his visit to India for the historic event would demonstrate that bilateral ties between the two countries are heading in a positive direction.

Muizzu's remarks came as he accepted the invitation to attend the swearing-in ceremony of Narendra Modi as the Prime Minister for the third consecutive

Munu Mahawar, India's Higher Commissioner to the Maldives, presented the letter of invitation to the President during a courtesy call at the President's Office. Maldivian officials in Male confirmed that Muizzu along with the country's for-eign minister and a couple of other leaders will be travelling to New Delhi to attend the ceremony. This will be Muizzu's first visit to India as the island nation's president, according to PTI.

The invitation to Muizzu assumes significance as it came amid frosty ties between the two countries. The ties between India and the Maldives have come under severe strain since November last year when Muizzu, known for his pro-China leanings, took charge as Maldivian president. Within hours of his oath, he had demanded the withdrawal of Indian military personnel from his country. The Indian military personnel were replaced by civilians earlier this month.

Earlier, President Muizzu had congratulated Narendra Modi for his win in the Lok Sabha elections and voiced his desire to work with him to advance bilateral ties. "Congratulations to Prime Minister @ narendramodi, and the BJP and BJP-led NDA, on the success in the 2024 Indian



General Election, for the third consecutive term. I look forward to working together to advance our shared interests in pursuit of shared prosperity and stability for our two countries.

Narendra Modi is all set to take charge as the prime minister for a historic third consecutive term with the BJP-led National Democratic Alliance (NDA) winning 293 seats in the Lok Sabha polls. President Droupadi Murmu will adminis-

ter the oath of office and secrecy to the prime minister and other members of the Union Council of Ministers at 7.15 pm on Sunday at the Rashtrapati Bhavan.

The guest list of foreign leaders for Modi's swearing-in ceremony was primarily guided by New Delhi's "Neighbourhood First Policy" and its strategic focus on island nations considered important in the Indian Ocean region, reported PTI.

Narendra Modi's oath-taking ceremony will be attended by many foreign lead-ers including Sri Lankan President Ranil Wickremesinghe, Maldivian President Mohamed Muizzu, Vice President of Seychelles Ahmed Afif, Bangladesh Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina, Mauritius Prime Minister Pravind Jugnauth, Nepal Prime Minister Pushpa Kamal Dahal 'Prachanda', and Bhutan Prime Minister Tshering

## Exhibition to celebrate Shivaji opens in Capital

#### THE AMAN SANDESH TIMES

New Delhi: To mark the 350th anniversary of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj's coronation, the Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts (IGNCA) and the National Gallery of Modern Art (NGMA) have launched an exhibition titled "Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj".

The exhibition, which runs until June 21 at NGMA, Jaipur House, was inaugurated by Govind Mohan, Secretary, Ministry of Culture, and Sachchidanand Joshi, Member Secretary, IGNCA, last evening. The opening ceremony saw the presence of Sanjeev Kishor Gautam, Director-General of NGMA, artist Deepak Gore, and artist Shrikant Chougule along with his son Gautam Chougule. Also in attendance were high-ranking naval officials, Sanjeev Sanyal, member of the Economic Advisory Council to the Prime Minister of India, and Richa Kamboj of the Kaladarshana division, IGNCA.

The exhibition features 115 paintings that highlight the valour, courage, and naval legacy of Shivaji, who is celebrated as the "Father of the Indian Navy". The collection is the culmination of 16 years' of dedicated effort by Deepak Gore and the Chougule artists, who meticulously researched under the guidance of renowned historian Padma Vibhushan Babasaheb Purandare.

In his address, Mohan highlighted the exhibition's national significance, stating, "The Prime Minister mentioned this collection at the India Art, Architecture and Design Biennale 2023, speaking of it in glowing terms. Following the PM's implicit directive to create space for this exhibition in the Capital, it is now being showcased here. This collection is a national treasure and heritage, and we are considering the possibility of a permanent and mobile exhibition.'



Joshi emphasised the importance of June 6 in the Indian history, expressing the IGNCA's pride in collaborating with the NGMA. He said, "These exceptional paintings depict various aspects of Shivaji's life, including his coronation, philosophy and the expansion of Swaraj. These vividly highlight Shivaji's bravery and the pivotal role he played in shaping history.' Sanjeev Kishore Gautam noted the historical significance of launching the exhibition on this date, stating, "The paintings focus on joyous and celebratory events of Shivaji's coronation and significant moments from his life, illustrating his compassion, social justice, strong leadership and military strategy. Gore, responsible for the concept, direct

tion and production of the exhibition, remarked, "We aimed to narrate the glorious history of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj through these paintings, hoping to inspire children, youth, entrepreneurs, administrators and leaders.'

This exhibition not only celebrates Shivaji's monumental contributions to national security and sovereignty but also serves as a platform to educate the present generation about his enduring legacy and the significant role he played in India's maritime

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## How Nehru won a 3rd term ????

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Narendra Modi is set to take oath as the prime minister for his third consecutive term, equalling the record of Jawaharlal Nehru. While he could not steer his party, the BJP, to a clear majority, retaining the top seat in the largest democracy for a third term is no mean feat.

Jawaharlal Nehru, the first prime minister of Independent India, remained in power from the day of Independence on August 15, 1947 to May 27, 1964, when he died of a heart attack. Unlike Modi, Nehru did not face a strong opposition as the Congress, the only state and national-level political party at the time, reigned supreme.

He won his three terms at Centre with a brute majority. However, despite another landslide win in the 1962 Lok Sabha election, Nehru faced challenges rising from within and outside the Congress, especially from regional parties, questioning his authority. The 1951-52 general elections were

the first in Independent India, held from October 1951 to February 1952. The Congress, under Nehru's leadership, emerged victorious, securing 364 of the 489 seats in the Lok Sabha. This amounted to around 75% of the

The 1957 elections reinforced Nehru's dominance in Indian politics. The Congress won 371 out of 494 seats in the Lok Sabha, slightly increasing its tally from the previous election.

Not only at the national level, but the Congress's rule in states also remained unchallenged until 1957, when it was defeated by the Communist Party of India (CPI) in Kerala.

There were several reasons for the Congress's landslide wins. Firstly, the Congress was the only pan-India party. The party's involvement in India's struggle for Independence and association with national heroes like Mahatma Gandhi and Nehru himself contributed to its widespread popularity.

Additionally, Nehru's charisma and leadership skills helped maintain the party's unity and appeal. He was seen as a leader who had the best interests of the country at heart and someone who could be trusted to lead India through its early years of Independence.

The Opposition was fragmented and



lacked the organisational strength and leadership to mount a serious challenge to the Congress. Parties like the Communist Party of India and the Bharatiya Jana Sangh were still in their nascent stages and could not significantly dent the Congress's dominance.

While people across the country unanimously accepted Nehru's leadership, the state and local leadership of the Congress was increasingly being ques-

The party leadership at state level was clustered with castes and classes dominant in the region, like the Marathas in Maharashtra, Patels in Gujarat, Reddy's in Andhra Pradesh.

In her paper 'Regional parties and the emerging pattern of politics in India', author and political scientist Professor Sudha Pai notes that during the Neh-

ru era, the major electoral base of the Congress was the Hindi heartland. In 1957, the Congress won 90% more seats and 2% more votes in the heartland than its national average, and its performance on both these counts was better than in any other region.

One of the reasons, Pai states, was linguistic homogeneity. This delayed the rise of sub-regional movements to emerge in these states, unlike in West Bengal and southern states, where the Left parties were looking to express regional aspirations.

There is no doubt that central domination was due to the existence of a single political party at both the central and state level. This factor both made possible strengthened the other centralising factors. Indian federalism developed in a 'one party dominance system'. Other parties could operate within the country's broad democratic framework, but their homogeneity and weakness prevented them from exercising an important influence upon the operative machinery of Indian federalism," Professor Pai notes.

However, 1957 was the year when the Congress's electoral bull run was halt-

ed. The Congress lost the state election in Kerala, with CPI winning 60 out of 126 assembly seats.

Factionalism within the party significantly contributed to the party's defeat. Prominent Congress leaders such as Pattom Thanu Pillai, TM Varghese, and R Shankar were often at odds with each other. These rivalries were fuelled by personal ambitions and ideological differences, leading to a lack of coherent strategy and leadership. The CPI unit, led by EMS Namboodiri-

pad, who later became the chief minister, campaigned on promises of agrarian reforms, removal of unemployment, and elimination of corruption.

Besides CPI, another political force was rising the ladder of power in the South. Dravida Munnetra Kazhagam (DMK), founded by CN Annadurai, was gaining ground in Tamil Nadu. The party, though formed in 1949, entered politics in 1957 and started cornering the Congress over issues like alleged Hindi imposition.

The DMK promoted Dravidian ideology and ran a radical, separatist campaign, pitching for a separate country for Tamils called 'Dravida Nadu'. They

opposed the dominance of North Indians and Brahmin culture, which they associated with the Congress.

In 1961, Jawaharlal Nehru held a National Integration Conference to promote national unity to address the challenges of a diverse society marked by linguistic, religious, and cultural

One of the primary topics was the linguistic diversity in India. Discussions focused on the adoption of Hindi as the official language while ensuring the protection and promotion of regional languages to maintain cultural diversity.

This gave fodder to DMK's propaganda as they accused the government of planning to impose a Sanskritised language on a Dravidian society.

It became the focal point of the party's protest against the Congress. And the results were visible in the 1962 general elections, when the DMK won seven Lok Sabha seats.

Despite his tall status, Nehru witnessed increasing criticism within the Congress party. This became evident with the 1959 All India Congress Committee session in Nagpur when Chaudhary Charan Singh criticised the Cooperative Farming Resolution. The Cooperative Farming Resolution was part of Nehru's vision for agricul-

tural development, but it faced opposition from various quarters. Charan Singh's criticism at the Nagpur session reflected the concerns of many farmers and regional leaders who felt that the resolution would lead to the loss of individual landholdings and the concentration of power in the hands of



**Atul Sharma** 

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June 09 th 2024: Don't depend on fate and try to improve your health as fortune is a lazy goddess which will never come to you. It is high time for you to control your weight and restart exercising to regain your health. Investment concerning your residence will be



June 09 th 2024: Sheer pleasure and enjoyment for you- as you set about to enjoy life to the fullest. Today, businessmen of this zodiac sign should stay away from the members of their household who ask for your financial help and do not return it later. Children will make you feel proud with their achievements.



# (April 20 - May 20)

June 09 th 2024: Sheer pleasure and June 09 th 2024: Health needs care. enjoyment for youyou set about to enjoy life to the fullest. Today, you won't need to spend your own money, as an elder of your house can help you with your

finances. Enjoy a peaceful and quiet day with family members-If people approach you with problems- Ignore them.



(July 23 - Aug 22) June 09 th 2024 : Your impulsive nature

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June 09 th 2024: If possible try to avoid long journey as you are too weak to travel and this could put further weaken you. You need to talk to your family members today regarding money investment and savings. Their advice will prove to be helpful in improving your financial situation.



(Nov 22 - Dec 21)

June 09 th 2024: Your personality will act like a perfume today. Investment in stocks and mutual funds recommended for longterm gains. Your partners will lose patience if you neglect his/her opinions. Personal affairs will be under control. If you are married and have children, then they can complain to you regarding you.



(Feb 19 - Mar 20)

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## Law and order situation is in bad shape: Dy Mayor Bedi

#### **NAMES OF THE AMAN SANDESH TIMES**

Mohali: Punjab DGP needs to intervene and Police should be deployed in Mohali as being deployed in Chandigarh.

Mohali Municipal Corporation Deputy Mayor Kuljit Singh Bedi stated that the law and order situation in Mohali is getting out of control and demanded that the DGP Punjab should intervene immediately and deploy more police force in Mohali on Chandigarh pattern, in this regard, the Deputy Mayor has written a letter to the Chief Minister Punjab and DGP

Deputy Mayor said that Mohali has become an IT hub and a large number of young people have now come here for jobs, similarly many young boys and girls are staying in Mohali to take IELTS training for applying for visas in foreign countries and cab drivers.

Many youths who work with food deliveries also come from outside and live here people from the criminal profession also hide because a large number of such youths are



not verified.

Deputy Mayor said that there has been a lot of investment in Mohali and new projects also want to come in Mohali, but looking at the bad law and order situation in Mohali, it also affects the business.

Deputy Mayor raised questions about the police force in Mohali and said that compared to Chandigarh, the city has expanded to a much larger area, but the police force here is very less compared to Chandigarh and most of the police personnel remain on VIP duty. He said that due to this the traffic system is also affected and there is chaos in the markets which is not being controlled.

Bedi in his letter said that Mohali is a very important city of Punjab and a large number of political leaders and officers are staying here and this is also one of the

reasons for the increased traffic in the city and demanded that the police force in Mohali city should be increased immediately and CCTV cameras should be installed which have been gathering dust for a long time and the CCTV cameras installed at traffic lights are not work-

He said that the Chief Minister of Punjab, who also holds the Home Ministry, should immediately pay attention to this and establish a law and order situation in Mohali.

## WHO CARES...?

#### Stray dogs continue to rule the streets



#### THE AMAN SANDESH TIMES

Mohali: Due to the slow pace of implementation of the animal birth control programme for stray dogs in the city, their population has doubled in the last five years posing a threat to citizens.

These dogs that were earlier found in large numbers near meat stalls, garbage dumps, and in residential areas. Nowadays they are seen across the city and in public places in large

Citizens wanted the programme to be expedited by increasing the number of doctors, and extending the facilities at the post operative centre.

Residents claim that they have been spotting stray puppies in the area. "It is concerning. Some dogs chased children on their way to school. We are terrified after hearing incidents of dog bites and attacks in the city," residents said.

As stray dog attacks increase, the Centre has decided to reach out to the States, local self-governments (LSGs) and Resident Welfare Associations RWAs) on implementing the new set of Animal Birth Control Rules prepared by the Ministry of Animal Husbandry recently. Notified on March 10 last year, the Rules put the onus of maintaining and controlling the population of stray dogs on LSGs and RWAs.

Talking to sources Secretary of the Animal Welfare Board of India (AWBI), S.K. Dutta, said the Rules of 2001, based on the Prevention of Cruelties to Animals Act, 1960, were amended to "adopt humane procedures for controlling stray animal population through open methods of surgeries and operations". The decision is also based on several Supreme Court judgements, Dr. Dutta said. "Local bodies were not following the 2001 Rules. We got a

number of complaints on cruelty to animals and other malpractices. After reviewing these Rules, the Ministry in consultation with AWBI, revised these Rules and notified it on March 10, 2023," he said. The Ministry has requested all Chief Secretaries State government departments to ensure proper implementation of these new rules.

Sources added that nature of the dogs should be considered while dealing with complaints about man-animal conflict. "No court allows relocation of dogs. Dog is a territorial animal. They cannot be kept in closed confinement and they will be more furious if we do so. Animal welfare activists who go for feeding dogs face harassment at some places. So, we have framed a set of actions to be followed by RWAs and LSGs. It is elaborated in the new set of rules," he said.

The new Rules prescribe that Animal Birth Control (ABC) programmes for sterilisation and immunisation of stray dogs are to be carried out by LSGs. The Ministry is also concerned about complaints of cruelty involved in carrying out ABC programmes. "By effective implementation of these Rules, ABC can be conducted by local bodies which will help in reducing stray dog population while addressing animal welfare issues. This is for birth control as well as maintenance of stray animals. The Rules want the RWAs to designate feed spots for dogs which shall be far from children play areas, entry and exit points, staircase or in an area which is likely to be least frequented by children and senior citizens. Dr. Dutta said if garbage is managed at the source, stray animals can also be managed. **But Who Cares???** 

## CGC Jhanjeri Hosts Alumni Tricity Chapter Catch- Up Session 2024

#### THE AMAN SANDESH TIMES

Mohali: CGC Jhanjeri organized the Alumni Tricity Chapter Catch-Up Session 2024 at Tim Hortons, CP-67 Mall, Mohali, this memorable event was orchestrated by the Centre for Career Planning & Development in collaboration with the Jhanjri campus Alumni Association, bringing together many alumni from the graduating years of 2014 to 2023, alongside HR representatives from various esteemed companies.

The event commenced with a formal inauguration by Deputy Director of CCPD, Mohan Prasad. The session was full of insightful discussions, was full of insignifing discussions, knowledge exchange, and a wealth of inspiration, setting a positive tone for the evening. The primary aim of the Session was to foster networking opportunities among alumni and HR pro-fessionals, share updates and achievements, discuss potential collaborations, and strengthen the bond within the alumni community. It also served as a platform for professional development, knowledge sharing, and supporting the



alma mater's initiatives.

The evening was filled with engaging activities that allowed alumni to reconnect with old friends and form new professional relationships. Attendees participated in a variety of activities, including experience sharing, dance performances, songs, and games, creating a lively and enjoyable atmosphere. Alumni shared their experiences and insights during the session, discussing how they could contribute to the institute through mentoring, expert talks, and industrial visits.

While Speaking at the moment MD Arsh Dhaliwal informed that the session generated a highly positive outcome, fostering a strong sense of community among attendees. Networking opportunities were abundant, leading to potential collaborations and professional connections.

#### PB Govt releases amount of Rs 91.46 crore for SC students under Post Matric Scholarship

**THE AMAN SANDESH TIMES** Chandigarh: The Punjab Government has released an amount of Rs. 91.46 crore as part of its share of the Post Matric Scholarship Scheme for Scheduled Caste (SC) students for the academic year 2023-24. This significant disbursement will benefit 1,17,346 students whose scholarships were pending. Divulging this information, Social Justice, Empowerment, and Minorities Minister Dr. Baljit Kaur said that providing education to Scheduled Caste children is the main priority of the state government.

She mentioned that the main goal of this scheme is to pro-



vide assistance to students from extremely poor families to complete their education. Cabinet Minister said that the Punjab Government, under the leadership of Chief

Mann, is constantly working for the welfare of all sections of society, while also focusing on the welfare of Scheduled Caste students.

Dr. Baljit Kaur stated that with the release of this amount, the standard of living of Scheduled Caste students can be

improved. The minister further informed that the payment of financial assistance is made directly into the bank accounts of the beneficiaries.

### Minister Bhagwant Singh Accused was pressuring her for marriage-Police

#### **NATHE AMAN SANDESH TIMES**

Mohali : Mohali Superintendent of Police Harbir Singh Atwal made a big revelation about the murder of a woman in broad daylight in the city. Mohali SP shared that the attacker had been identified and arrested by the police.

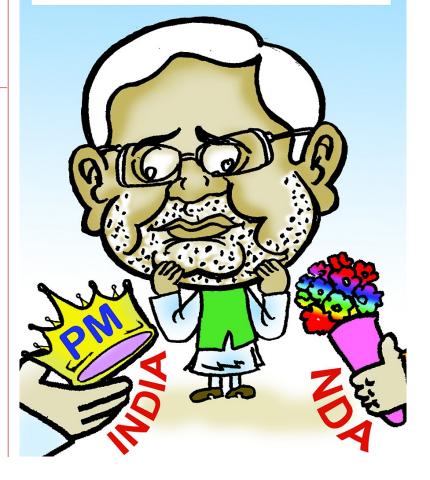
"A young girl was murdered on the road this morning and we have arrested the attacker in this case. When the police went to arrest the attacker, Sukhchain Singh, he attacked the policemen as well. Some policemen were also injured in the attack The attacker's name is Sukhchain Singh. He

is a resident of Samrala and works at a petrol pump," informed Mohali SP.

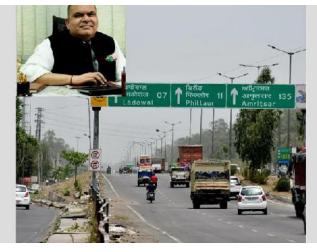
"He knew the girl from before and was pressurizing her for marriage. When the girl refused to marry him, he

killed her. Since when do they know each other and whether he came to Mohali today with the intention of murder is still a matter of investigation," he added.

## India alliance had offered the post of PM to Nitish



#### NHAI approves Rs.18.59 crore bicycle track for Ludhiana-MP Arora



#### **THE AMAN SANDESH TIMES**

Ludhiana: The National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) has given its final approval to the construction of a Bicycle Track along Laddowal Bypass on NH-95. Confirming this here on Saturday, MP (Rajya Sabha) from Ludhiana Sanjeev Arora said that he has been informed on final approval by senior officers of NHAI in Delhi.

The proposal for construction of Bicycle Track along Laddowal Bypass on NH-95 with a cost estimate amounting to Rs.18,59,62,865 was submitted for approval of Competent Authority.

In this regard, it is to inform that the Competent Authority has approved the above proposal and to be taken up on standalone basis by inviting separate bids at RO-Chandigarh level.

According to Arora, location of Bicycle Track will be Km. 5+060 to Km. 15+000 of Laddowal Bypass (Both Sides) and its length will be approximately 20 Kms (including both sides). 2.25m wide Cycle Track with Cement Concrete Pavement M-30 of 150 mm thickness laid over Granular Sub-base of 150mm thickness with the provision of street light poles, Road studs along the track on both sides and markings.

Approximately 3.2 Kms length of Metal Beam Crash Barrier is proposed to rule out the possibility of conflict between cycle track and other vehicles, for the safe movement of Cyclists. Provision of signages (cautionary/ informatorily/ mandatory), markings, road studs, rumble strips etc. has been considered.

Another key feature of the project will be that 600 mm Dia Pipes at every 500 m considered for efficient cross drainage.

Meanwhile, Arora has written a letter to the NHAI Chairman Santosh Kumar Yadav appreciating him for approval of cycle track project in Ludhiana. Arora wrote to the NHAI chairman that on behalf of the entire Ludhiana city, he would like to express his deepest gratitude for the NHAI's approval and sanctioning of the cycle track project along the Laddowal bye pass in Ludhiana.

He further wrote that this forward-thinking initiative holds immense significance for Ludhiana city's future.

He added that the construction of this dedicated cycling lane will provide a safe and segregated space for cyclists, encouraging the use of eco-friendly transportation and promoting public health within Ludhiana. This project is a major win for Ludhiana, and the Ludhianavis, are immensely grateful to the NHAI for recognizing this need and taking decisive action.

Arora in his communication to the NHAI chairman hoped that they look forward to the early successful completion of this project. Technical drawings of the project have also been made available to Arora. This was Arora's initiative that the NHAI

has approved the construction of Bicycle Track. MP had urged the NHAI Chairman to establish Bicycle Track in Ludhiana, which is considered a hub for the bicycle industry.

He had apprised the NHAI Chairman that on World Bicycle Day last year, he had attended 2nd AICMA (All India Cycle Manufacturers' Association) Awards Ceremony, wherein the demand was raised to build bicycle tracks and promote cycling and the industry as well. When the demand for construction of a bicycle track in Ludhiana was made at the 2nd AICMA Awards Ceremony, Vijay Munjal, Group Chairman, Hero Eco, SK Rai, Managing Director, Hero Cycles Ltd and Tejvinder Singh of Big-Ben Group (JSTS) and Onkar Singh Pahwa, CMD, Avon Cycles were among those present there.

Arora said, citizens of Ludhiana and cycle industry are appreciating this initiative. However, Arora said it is a proud moment for him that the industrialists of Ludhiana expressed faith in his capabilities as an MP

He said he is committed to doing his work for fulfilling the aspirations of people of Ludhiana to make the city more beautiful and livable place. He said development of city means development of citizens.

## 30-year-old woman hacked to death by masked man

#### THE AMAN SANDESH TIMES

Mohali: A 30-year-old woman was allegedly hacked to death by a masked man in the middle of the road near a Phase-5 gurdwara here today morning, police said.

According to officials, the woman, a resident of Fatehpur Jattan, was attacked by the accused at around 9:30 am.

Police said in a CCTV footage of the area, a masked man is seen chasing the girl as she tries to cross the road. The masked man with a kirpan in hand managed to stop her and hit her with kir-

pan repeatedly, they said.
The accused hit the woman on arms, neck, back and head around 10 times before she collapsed on the road.

Taking her to be dead, the assailant crossed over to the

other side of the road. Locals said the victim was later rushed to the hospital in an ambulance where she

was declared dead. Police have initiated an investigation in the matter.

## Kalyani Singh provided with statements of witnesses

#### THE AMAN SANDESH TIMES

Chandigarh: Following the direction of the Supreme Court, the CBI has provided the statements of 53 witnesses to Kalyani Singh, the accused in the murder case of 35-year-old national-level shooter and advocate Sukhmanpreet Singh Sidhu, aka Sippy Sidhu. Kalyani had approached the Supreme Court after her plea for providing statements was rejected by the special CBI court, and then by the Punjab and Haryana High Court. In her application, Kalyani sought the statements of the witnesses recorded by the Chandigarh Police under Section 161 of the CrPC, prior to remittance of investigation to the CBI. Sippy Sidhu was shot dead at a park in Sector 27 on September 20, 2015. The case was first investigated by the UT police and later transferred to the CBI.

After six years of investigation, the CBI also failed to find the culprits in the case and filed an un-



traced report in December 2020 with the request to allow further investigation. However, the court did not accept the untraced report and asked the CBI to further investigate the case.

On June 15, 2022, the CBI had arrested Kalyani in the case. The agency claimed in the chargesheet

that Kalyani was seen talking to Sippy Sidhu in the park and thereafter killing him along with an unknown person with firearms on the day of the incident.

The CBI court had already framed murder charges against Kalyani Singh in the case. While the CBI submitted a list of 86 witnesses in the chargesheet, the Chandigarh Police examined 53 witnesses and recorded their statements. The name of the main witness of the CBI, who claimed to be eyewitness

of the crime scene, is not there in the statements of the witnesses given to Kalyani by the probe agency. The prosecution claimed that the eyewitness had led the CBI to the spot and explained the sequence of the events and identified the scene of crime.

# Students, parents raise concerns over anomalies in NEET UG results



#### **THE AMAN SANDESH TIMES**

Amritsar: Raising concerns over anomalies in the National Eligibility-cum-Entrance Test, Undergraduate, (NEET UG) results declared on June 4, several parents and students held the National Testing Agency (NTA) responsible for "gross misconduct" and jeopardising future of thousands of aspirants with "unrealistic cut-off" this year. The NEET UG results were announced on evening of June 4, coinciding with the results of the Lok Sabha elections. This year, 67 students managed to get 720/720, a perfect score. The NTA had also announced at a press conference that it had awarded grace marks to 1,536 students.

Dr Kamal Jeet Singh, a neurosurgeon in Amritsar, has written to the NTA questioning the process of declaring results for the NEET UG this year. His son Ajitesh Singh scored 700 out of 720 in NEET UG 2024, yet his AIR was 1,779. Ajitesh was hoping to get admission in AIIMS, Jodhpur or Rishikesh, but with his current rank, he would only have to settle for second grade medical college.

"Last year, a student, who scored 701 had AIR between 100 and 150. This score is usually expected to secure an AIR of below 300. But with the current scenario, I will have to settle for any other medical college other than where I wanted to go," shared Ajitesh with disappointment.

Dr Kamal said several anomalies, including paper leak a few days ahead of the NEET and awarding grace marks randomly to few students, had raised suspicion on the credibility of the results.

"Certain students received peculiar scores of 718 and 719, which is not possible without the allocation of grace marks. The NTA's decision to award grace marks to

selective students raises concerns about fairness and transparency in exams. Several students, including my son, will suffer because of this," he said.

He also raised the issue of 67 students getting perfect score this year. "The number of perfect scores is unprecedented. The final results revealed that 67 students achieved a perfect score of 720, an unprecedented occurrence in the NEET history. Given the difficulty of the paper, it is highly unlikely," he said

Ajitesh said grace marks awarded by the NTA to a few students messed up with the ranking system. "It is unfair for those students, who have put in hard work for two years and highlights the "unrealistic approach" towards such competitive exams," he said.

Shruti Chaudhary, who scored 707/720 in NEET UG with an AIR of 720, emerging a Amritsar topper too, shared her disappointment with the ranking system this year.

"I am hoping that I get admission in the AIIMS, Rishikesh, but with the kind of ranks awarded to several students and despite getting good scores, it's quite discouraging," she said.

Surbhi Mehra, another NEET UG aspirant

Surbhi Mehra, another NEET UG aspirant and merit holder scored 700/720, but her AIR was 2,045. Similarly, Pushkar Parasher also scored 700/720 in the NEET UG, but his AIR was 2,144.

"This huge gap in ranks despite scoring equal marks shows the disappointment we feel. Last year, students who scored between 650 and 700 were able to clear counselling and get seats in good medical colleges. This year, many of us will have to settle for less," said Surbhi. Even Pushkar agreed. He said, "We can't do anything about it, now."

## Legacy waste processing to be over by year end

#### **THE AMAN SANDESH TIMES**

**Chandigarh:** The UT Administration has stated that bioremediation of the current landfill of 8.28 acres at Dadu Majra will be completed by December 31 this year.

In an affidavit submitted to the National Green Tribunal (NGT), the Department of Environment, UT, stated that bioremediation of old dump of 20 acres was started on October 22, 2020, and the entire legacy waste of 5 lakh metric tonne (LMT) had been processed and 20 acres were reclaimed.

Further, bioremediation of the current

landfill of 8.28 acres was started on August 26, 2022, and out of 8 LMT, 7.67 LMT waste has been processed and the work will be completed by December 31 this year. The NGT had earlier directed the department to plug the gap in waste processing by setting up of additional facilities to process biodegradable and non-biodegradable and other waste, estimated to be 468 tonnes per day (TPD), along with the legacy waste of 5.5 LMT.

In the status report submitted to the green tribunal, the department stated that in the month of May, nearly 430 TPD of the total 500 TPD solid waste generated in the city was processed. There was a gap of nearly 70 TPD of mixed waste in generation and pro-



cessing. The department further stated that nearly 100 TPD, including 30 TPD rejects/inerts after processing of waste, was dumped in landfills.

"There is no gap between waste generation and processing capacity. However, in order to ensure 100% processing of municipal solid waste, the Municipal Corporation will install new machines in the next six months to segregate and further process this mixed waste," stated the department, and added that thereafter, the entire waste generated in the city would be processed. The department stated that 100% waste is

The department stated that 100% waste is collected door-to-door from households in four categories, namely dry, wet, sanitary

and domestic hazardous waste. The 100% collected dry waste (nearly 200 TPD, including recyclables), sanitary waste (nearly 0.5 -1 TPD) and domestic hazardous waste (nearly 0.1 TPD) at the material recovery facilities is sent for processing.

Approximately 300 TPD of wet waste, including horticulture waste, is being generated in the city. In addition to the compost plant of

120 TPD capacity, another facility has been set up to process 300 TPD of wet waste. It was operationalised on February 29 this year. Therefore, the capacity to process wet waste through composting has increased to 420 TPD. The entire wet waste generated is being processed and the compost so produced in the processed of the compost so produced in the composition of the c

duced is being utilised by the MC. Further, the department stated that 100% horticulture waste is being processed. One horticulture waste processing plant of 30 TPD capacity has been established where waste generated by pruning of trees is processed to make bio-briquettes, which are sold through auction.

## Man loses Rs 1.61 cr in cyberfraud

#### THE AMAN SANDESH TIMES

Panchkula: A resident of the DLF valley in Panchkula was duped of Rs 1.61 crore by a cyberfraud. The victim, Ajay Singh Gill, who runs a training institute, said he had received a WhatsApp link on his mobile phone through which he joined a group in April. He said the group was made in the name of stock market investments.

He said one of the participants in the group shared information with him regarding stock marketing and also directed him to install a mobile phone application. The individual told him how to use the mobile phone application. He was then directed to download another application, which was supposed to be used for trading purposes.

The man then filled out information about his and his wife's Aadhaar card on the portal and later started



investing funds as per guidance. He transferred Rs 4 lakh and Rs 1 lakh into different bank accounts as per the given directions. He said the scammers even sent him Rs 42,000 and Rs 45,000 in his bank account in the name of income generated through the investments.

He transferred more money into the given bank accounts on the pretext of investing money in the stock market, to a total of Rs 1.61 crore, and

only later identified that he had been scammed.

Later, while filing a complaint to the police, he said the scammers had also transferred Rs 15.87 lakh into his bank account after cheating another person, due to which one of his bank accounts had been frozen by the Bangalore cyber police.

The police have now registered cases in the matter under Section 120B (party to a criminal conspiracy), 467 (forging a document that pretends to be a valuable security, will), 468 (forgery for cheating), 471 (fraudulently or dishonestly using as genuine any document or electronic record), 420 (cheating and dishonestly inducing the person deceived to deliver any property to any person) and 406 (criminal breach of trust) of the Indian Penal Code at the cybercrime police station.

## Kartik Aaryan shares pic of his drastic transformation

#### THE AMAN SANDESH TIMES

New Delhi : Kartik Aaryan had to undergo a massive transformation to step into Paralympic gold medalist Murlikant Petkar's shoes in Kabir Khan's directorial, 'Chandu Champion'. His journey from 39 percent body fat to a meagre 7 per cent was no easy ride. The actor posted a before and after photo of his drastic transformation.

Kartik Aaryan's weight loss journey for 'Chandu Champion' is too inspiring. The actor, in his post, mentioned how he went from being an 'insomniac' to a 'fitness enthusiast' for the film. He wrote, "From 39 % body fat to 7 % body fat !! From being an 'insomniac' to turning into a 'fitness enthusiast', it's surely a journey of one and half years to remember for me (sic).

He added, "The life of the living legend Mr Murlikant Petkar, not only made me a stronger human being but also, further installed the belief that if you can dream it, then you can achieve it... nothing is impossible. Pehle mummy kehti thi, 'beta gym jao' lekin aaj kal haalaat aise hain ki unhe call karke bolna padta hai, 'beta gym se vapas aa jao' (Earlier, my mom used to say, 'Son, go to the gym,' but these days, she



calls me and asks me to come back from the gym)."

'Chandu Champion' co-producer and director Kabir Khan spoke to IndiaToday.in about Kartik Aaryan's massive transformation. When asked how closely he collaborated with Kartik on this transformation, Kabir Khan said, "On a minute-to-minute basis, because it was not an easy transformation. It was not an easy journey to undertake. I had to put in a huge team of physical trainers, physiotherapists, dietitians, boxing coaches, swimming coaches, and wrestling coaches. It was a massive team. And literally, for 1.5 years, Karthik has lived the life of an athlete. He would wake up early in the morning, go to the gym, have his food,

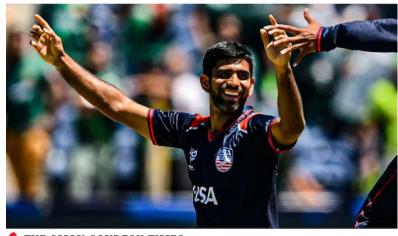


and then go for a boxing session. Then come back and sleep. We even had to monitor his sleep.'

Kabir Khan also spoke about how Kartik, who was an insomniac before, now sleeps for eight hours, thanks to 'Chandu Champion'. "When I met him, he was an insomniac and used to sleep for four hours. I told Kartik 'For this journey, if you don't sleep for eight hours minimum, there's no point in undertaking this journey.' He (Kartik) says, 'For this character, my life became different'. Today he's somebody who sleeps for eight hours, looks at everything he eats, has a very fit lifestyle," he said.

'Chandu Champion' releases on June 14.

# USA's Saurabh Netravalkar gears up for 'emotional' encounter



#### THE AMAN SANDESH TIMES

New Delhi: From having supportive bosses at a leading tech firm, Oracle to continuing his passion for coding as well as bowling. This is the story of Mumbai-born Saurabh Netravalkar, who has become an overnight sensation following his heroics for the USA team against Pakistan. Netravalkar was given the responsibility to bowl the Super Over against Pakistan and defend 19 runs. He held his nerve till the end to hand the USA team a historic win. He became an overnight sensation as people got to know the many talents of Netravalkar, who had also represented India at the Under-19 level.

Netravalkar admitted that playing against India would be emotional and also hailed his former Mumbai teammate Suryakumar Yadav for rising through the ranks to play for

"I know all of them and Surya (Yadav) and myself have played together for Mumbai U15s, U-17, U-19s. It is so good to see what he has achieved and it will be nice to catch up with them. Playing against India would be truly emotional," Netravalkar told PTI.

Suryakumar and Netravalkar together played the Ranji Trophy in 2013 for Mumbai. He had also put up a heart-warming message on his Instagram story to hype Netravalkar following his Super Over heroics. Netravalkar, who played for India at U-19 level along with the likes of KL Rahul and Mayank Agarwal, shifted his base to the US after not getting enough opportunities in the Indian cricket scene.

Netravalkar, who is a software engineer as well, talked about his love for coding alongside bowling. "I have never felt the pressure. When you love something, it is never a job for you. So when I am out there on the field, I love bowling and trying to out-think a batter. When I am coding, I love doing that and hence it never feels like

"Actually, we just flew down from

Dallas to New York. I will be honest that it has been quite overwhelming. I wish I could personally thank each and everyone for their lovely messages. I feel blessed," Netravalkar said.

The 32-year-old pursued his master's degree from an Ivy League college i.e. Cornell University and landed a lucrative job at Oracle. However, he continued his passion for cricket and made his debut for the USA team in 2019 and had also captained the side earlier.

However, Netravalkar would matter-of-factly state that while opportunities in professional cricket are improving in the US, his primary source of income remains his day job at Oracle.

Netravalkar reckoned that the opportunities in professional cricket were improving in the USA, but his main source of income remained his job at Oracle.

"The best part is that I have got very supportive bosses at Oracle and I am allowed to work remotely when I am on tour, playing for the United States.

"So on match days, I am excused from work but then there are scheduled project meetings which warrants my presence and then I work my practice schedule accordingly. I would also thank US Cricket board as they also are flexible if I have meetings lined up.' He opened up about Oracle's boss-

es being supportive and how he managed to juggle between playing cricket, as well as a full-time job.

"I can tell you that when I play local matches or club games in the United States, I have often logged in for a meeting at the lunch break and people have been very accommodating.

"At Oracle, they all know by now I play cricket and everyone is happy to support. I work in team Oracle text and I am primarily a coder, who works on SQL and C (programming languages)," he said.

# Amitabh Bachchan teases new project with son Abhishek Bachchan

#### THE AMAN SANDESH TIMES

Mumbai: Actor Amitabh Bachchan has shared photos with his son, actor Abhishek Bachchan, as they worked together. Taking to his blog today, Amitabh posted a bunch of pictures in which he sat on a couch in what looked like a recording studio wearing headphones.

Abhishek Bachchan sat near him on a chair, wearing headphones too. In the photos, Amitabh wore a colourful jacket, red pants and yellow shoes. Abhishek was seen in a blue sweatshirt, denims and shoes. In the photos, both of them looked in front of them. Sharing the pictures, Amitabh wrote,

... running again to work .. late ..but the absolute joy of working together with Abhishek .. many more may they follow .. with prayer and hope ..Love (red heart amoi) " (red heart emoji).'

Taking to X (formerly Twitter), Amitabh tweeted and posted a few photos too. He wrote, "T 5035 - Peeta putra dono baithe, ek jagah hi kaam pe; jaldh aawe parde jodi, inke adhbhut kaam ke (laughing emoji)." This roughly trans-



lates to - both father and son are sitting, in the same place for work; soon the two should come on screen together for their amazing work).

Amitabh is known for being Abhishek's biggest cheerleader. Recently, he penned a heartfelt note as Abhishek's film Housefull 3 celebrated its 8th anniversary. In a touching post, Amitabh praised Abhishek's performance and expressed his unwavering support. "SUPEEERRRRB .. YOO HOOOO

LOOKING DY-NAMIC .. ALL THE BEST ABHISHEK
.. YOU BE THE BEST, LOVE YOU," he wrote, sharing a video to mark the occasion.

Amitabh Abhishek have shared the screen in several films, including Bunty Aur Babli, Kabhi Alvida Naa Kehna, Sarkar, Sarkar Raj and Paa.

Amitabh is busy shooting for Vettaiyan, which also stars Rajinikanth. He will also be seen with Prabhas, Deepika Padukone and Kamal Haasan in Kalki 2898 AD. The film will hit the theatres on June 27. The film will hit the theatres on June

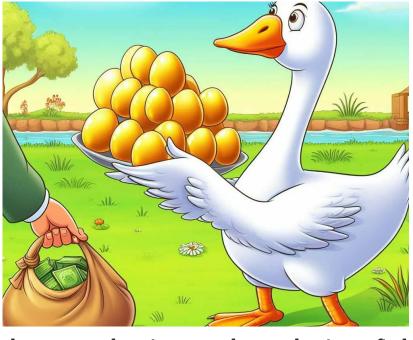
Abhishek will be next seen in Housefull 5. The film stars Akshay Kumar, Anil Kapoor, Nana Patekar, Riteish Deshmukh, and Chunky Pandey in key

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## The Golden Egg

nce upon a time, a farmer had a goose that laid one golden egg every day. The egg provided enough money for the farmer and his wife to

support their daily needs. The farmer and his wife continued to be happy for a long time. But, one day, the farmer thought, "Why should we take just one egg a day? Why can't we take them all at once and make a lot of money?" The farmer told his wife his idea, and she foolishly agreed. Then, the next day, as the goose laid its golden egg, the farmer was quick with



a sharp knife. He killed the goose and cut its stomach open, hoping to find all its golden eggs. But as he opened the stomach, he only found guts and blood. The farmer quickly realized his foolish mistake and proceeded to cry over his lost resource. As the days went on, the farmer and his wife became poorer and poorer because of their foolishness.



## 5-6 MLAs from Shinde group in touch with Shiv Sena (UBT)

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Mumbai: At least five to six MLAs of the Shiv Sena (Eknath Shinde faction) are in touch with Shiv Sena (UBT) leaders and have shown their willingness to return to the party, sources said.

Shiv Sena (UBT) chief Uddhav Thackeray will decide on their return, the sources added.

Earlier, sources also informed that around 10-15 MLAs from Ajit Pawar's NCP faction in Maharashtra are in touch with the Sharad Pawar camp, sources said. The development comes months ahead of the Maharashtra Assembly polls and after Ajit Pawar's NCP managed to win just a solitary Lok Sabha seat.



Without naming any party, NCP (Sharadchandra Pawar) state president Jayant Patil said several leaders were in touch with them. "We will think of these proposals at our meeting on June 9. On June 10, we have our foundation day," he said.

The Maharashtra Lok Sabha re-

sults turned out to be disastrous for the ruling Mahayuti alliance, which bagged just 17

On the other hand, the opposition Maha Vikas Aghadi (MVA), plagued by splits in two parties, punched above its weight to bag 30 seats.

The Congress won 13 seats, the Shiv Sena (UBT) won nine and the NCP (Sharad-

chandra Pawar) got eight seats. Deputy Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis offered to resign, taking responsibility for the party's performance in the Lok Sabha elections. However, sources said no decision has yet been taken and Fadnavis is likely to stay on as deputy Chief Minister.

#### Delhi readies for Narendra Modi's sweating-in

#### THE AMAN SANDESH TIMES

New Delhi: Delhi will remain on high alert for Prime Minister Narendra Modi's swearing-in ceremony. According to officials with the Delhi Police, a multi-layered security with five companies of paramili-tary personnel, NSG commandos, drones and snipers will blanket the Rashtrapati Bhawan for the event.

As the day is set to witness the presence of dignitaries from SAARC (South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation) nations, who have been invited to the ceremony, the security cover is likely to resemble the one for the G20 summit last year. Police officials also said that the dignitaries attending the swearing-in will be given designated routes from their hotels to the

venue and back. An official notice by the Delhi Police highlighted the prohibition on certain flying obiects in Delhi.

Snipers and armed police personnel will remain deployed on the routes of the digni-taries and drones, while drones will be de-ployed at strategic locations in the national

The swearing-in ceremony is likely to be attended by top leaders of Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, the Maldives, Bhutan, Nepal, Mauritius and Seychelles, for which, hotels in the city such as Leela, Taj, ITC Maurya, Claridges and Oberoi have already been brought under the security cover.

Artificial Intelligence technology and intrusion warning systems will be used for scanning and facial recognition, while snipers will be deployed at strategic locations and high-rise buildings.
As the event is scheduled to be held in-

side the Rashtrapati Bhawan, it will have a three-layered security both inside and outside the premises.

Commandoes from Delhi Police's SWAT (Special Weapons And Tactics) and NSG will remain deployed around the President's house and various strategic locations on the

'Around 2500 police personnel, including five companies of paramilitary and Delhi Armed Police (DAP) jawans, have been planned to be deployed around the venue,"

an official told PTI.

In the wake of Prime Minister Narendra Modi's swearing-in ceremony, several roads heading towards the central part of Delhi may be shut, or there may be traffic diver-

sions since morning. Further, checkings will be enhanced at the borders of the national capital from Satur-day itself.

Leaders from India's neighbourhood and

Indian Ocean region have been cordially invited to attend Prime Minister Narendra Modi's swearing-in ceremony.

Among those who have accepted the invite are Sri Lankan President Ranil Wickremesinghe, Maldivian President Mohamed Muizzu, Vice President of Seychelles Ahmed Afif, Bangladesh Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina, Mauritius Prime Minister Pravind Jugnauth, Nepal Prime Minister Pushpa Kamal Dahal 'Prachanda', and Bhutan Prime Minister Tshering Tobgay.

Following the swearing-in, the leaders will attend a banquet hosted by President Droupadi Murmu at the Rashtrapati Bha-

wan, the same evening.

Some special invitees for the ceremony would include labourers working on the Central Vista project, staff and employees from the railways department working on the Vande Bharat and metro trains, transgenders, sanitation workers from the public health department, beneficiaries of the Central government schemes, and Viksit Bharat ambassadors.

## Man chops off his finger, offers it at temple after NDA's victory

#### **NATHE AMAN SANDESH TIMES**

Raipur: A 30-year-old man in Chhattisgarh's Balrampur chopped off his finger and offered it to Goddess Kali at a temple after the BJP-led NDA won a majority in the Lok Sabha polls.

On June 4, Durgesh Pandey, a BJP supporter, went into depression when he came to know that the Congress was leading in the initial trends of the Lok Sabha elections. He then went to the Kali temple and prayed for the BJP's victory.

Later, when Pandey saw the BJP emerging as the single largest party and NDA crossing the majority mark of 272, he was overjoyed and again went to the Kali temple where he chopped his left hand finger and offered it to the goddess.

After that, he then tried to stop the bleeding by tying a cloth around the wound. However, it only worsened over time. The severity of his condition prompted his family to rush him to the Community Health Centre in



The medical staff provided emergency first aid but deemed it necessary to refer him to the Ambikapur Medical College due to the extent of his injury.

At the medical college, doctors performed an operation to stop the bleeding. Unfortunately, due to the delay in treatment, they were unable to reattach the severed part of his fin-

Despite this, Pandey's condition is now stable and he is out of danger. "I was disturbed to see the Congress leading in the initial trends. The Con-

gress supporters were very excited. I visited the Kali temple in my village, which the entire village has faith in. I also had faith in it and made a vow," Pandey said.

'When the BJP was winning the elections that evening, I went to the temple, chopped my finger and offered it. The BJP will now form the government, but I would have been more happy if they (NDA) crossed the 400 mark," he added.

In a closely-fought election, the NDA won 293 of 543 Lok Sabha seats, with allies like TDP's N Chandrababu Naidu and JD(U)'s Nitish Kumar helping the alliance to scrape past the majority mark. The Opposition INDIA bloc defied predictions and put up a strong show, winning 234 seats.

Narendra Modi is set to take oath as the Prime Minister for a record third time evening in a high-profile ceremony where foreign leaders are ex-

# Andhra CM on June 12

N Chandrababu Naidu to take Oath as

#### THE AMAN SANDESH TIMES

New Delhi: Telugu Desam Party Leader K Raghu Rama Krishna Raju informed that TDP chief Chandrababu Naidu will take oath as Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister on June 12 at 4.55 pm.
"Nara Chandrababu Naidu will take oath

as Andhra Pradesh CM on 12th June at 4.55 pm... It's a very pleasant moment for the people of Tamil Nadu, the way Prime Minister Narendra Modi has appreciated our leaders Chandrababu Naidu and Pawan Kalyan. Both our state leaders have shown a lot of respect towards Modi Ji. Of course, we need a lot of support from the Centre considering the destruction caused by former CM Jagan Mohan Reddy," said

TDP chief Chandrababu Naidu. When asked did TDP has placed any specific demands of ministries in PM Modi's

"I don't think so because that is not my subject to comment. But our party leader is not the kind of person who demands. I think by virtue of his good relations he can extract as much as he can but he never demands,' said Raghu Rama Krishna Raju.

Meanwhile, TDP supremo N Chandrababu Naidu said that Narendra Modi is the "right leader at the right time" for India as he affirmed TDP's support to the National Democratic Alliance (NDA).

Mr Naidu also proposed the name of Narendra Modi for the post of Prime Minister highlighting his vision of Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikas, and Viksit Bharat and urged to never miss the 'good opportunity for India. NDA govt under the leadership of PM Modi has taken initiatives in the last 10

years. Narendra Modi has a vision and a zeal, his execution is very perfect. He is executing all his policies with a true spirit. Today, India is having the right leader at the right time, and that is Narendra Modi. This is a very good opportunity for India, if you miss it now, we will miss forever. That is where we are having a wonderful opportu-nity," Mr Naidu said while addressing the NDA MPs meeting at the Samvidhan Sadan

of the Parliament building. "Now I proudly propose the name of Nar-endra Modi ji on behalf of Telugu Desam Party for the post of Prime Minister of this great nation. Through his vision of Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikas, and Viksit Bharat and through the collective efforts of NDA we can become a zero poverty nation that is possible only through Narendra Modi," he added.

He also invoked former Andhra Chief Minister late NT Rama Rao's vision of humanism comparing it with Narendra Modi's

#### Shabana Azmi on Kangana Ranaut slap row-No love lost but l can't celebrate

#### **THE AMAN SANDESH TIMES**

New Delhi: Veteran actor Shabana Azmi reacted to the incident in which her fellow colleague and BJP's newly-elected MP Kangana Ranaut was allegedly slapped and abused by a woman CISF constable at the Chandigarh airport. She said she had "no love lost" for Kangana Ranaut and that she could not join the "chorus" of those who were celebrating the incident.

"I have no love lost for Kangana Ranaut. But I can't find myself joining this chorus of celebrating 'the slap'. If security personnel start taking the law into their hands, none of us can be safe," she tweeted early on Saturday.

Shabana Azmi's reaction came as Kangana Ranaut is embroiled in a defamation case filed by Azmi's husband Javed Akhtar in 2020. In that case, Javed Akhtar alleged his reputation was tarnished when Kangana Ranaut made remarks about Sushant Singh Rajput's death in her interview with a news channel in 2020.

The following vear. Kangana Ranaut filed a counter-complaint against Javed Akhtar, alleging insult to modesty.

The incident occurred when the firebrand actor-turned-politician was undergoing a security check at the Chandigarh airport



before taking a Vistara flight UK707 to

Kangana Ranaut, who won in Himachal Pradesh's Mandi, claimed a constable approached her from the side and hit her in the face before beginning to hurl abuses at her. When she said she questioned the constable about the reason for the assault, the constable responded by saving she supported the 2020 farmers' protests.

In one of the many videos of the incident that went viral on social media, the accused woman constable, identified as Kulwinder Kaur, can be seen talking to

people present at the airport, presumably after the attack. In the video, Kaur can be heard taking strong objection to Kangana Ranaut's controversial remarks during the farmers' protest.

"Kangana made a statement that farmers were protesting in Delhi because they were paid Rs 100 or Rs 200. At the time, my mother was one of the protesters," Kaur

was heard saying in the viral video. Kangana Ranaut courted controversy during the farmers' protests when she mistakenly identified an elderly woman at the protest as Bilkis Bano, a prominent figure from the Shaheen Bagh protests. The actor, in a now-deleted tweet, had for Rs 100" to participate in protests.

claimed that the woman was "available Kaur, the constable, was later suspended and taken into custody. An FIR was lodged against her and the CISF ordered a court of inquiry into the incident.

#### Vande Bharat Express Average Speed Down From 84 Kmph To 76 Kmph in 3 Years-RTI **<b>♦**THE AMAN SANDESH TIMES

New Delhi: The average speed of Vande Bharat trains has decreased from 84.48 kmph in 2020-21 to 76.25 kmph in 2023-24, the railway ministry said in a response to an RTI query. Railway officials said not only Vande Bhar-

ats but many other trains are also maintaining cautionary speed at places were "huge infrastructural work" is underway. "Besides this, some Vande Bharat trains have been launched in difficult terrain areas where there are speed restrictions due to geographical reasons or extreme weather conditions," a railway official said. Citing the example of the Vande Bharat train

between Mumbai CSMT and Madgaon, an official of the Central Railway Zone said, "Most of the Konkan railway area is 'ghat' section where trains pass through low height mountain ranges. It is a difficult terrain area where increasing speed could compromise safety." "Things become very challenging during the monsoon season when we have to keep the maximum speed for all trains at 75 kmph," he added.

The RTI applicant, Madhya Pradesh-based Chandra Shekhar Gaur, said, "The data, ob-tained through the RTI, shows that the average speed of Vande Bharat trains was 84.48 in 2020-21, which decreased to 81.38 kmph in 2022-23. It further deteriorated in 2023-24 to 76.25."

Launched on February 15, 2019, the Vande



Bharat is a semi-high speed train which can run at a maximum speed of 160 kmph. However, it cannot go beyond 130 kmph anywhere in the country, except on the Delhi-Agra route, due to unsuitable track con-

"There are certain segments of tracks between Delhi and Agra which were developed in 2016 for India's first semi-high speed train Gatiman Express to run at 160 kmph. Only on those segments, the Vande Bharat also runs at 160 kmph speed. Rest of the places, its maximum speed is either 130 or less than," another railway official said. He said the railways has been upgrading tracks to meet the speed requirement of the Vande Bharat and "it is because of these reasons there are cautions at various places". "Once these upgrades are over, we will have trains which will go up to 250 kmph," the official said.

Some of the routes on which the Vande Bharat's speed is worse than its overall average speed are Dehradun-Anand Vihar (63.42 kmph), Patna-Ranchi (62.9 kmph) and Coimbatore-Bangalore Cantt (58.11 kmph).

An expert engaged in track construction said the first Vande Bharat was launched in February 2019 and it has been more than five years since then, but the railways is yet to replace tracks on any route so that the train can run at its maximum

operating speed of 160 kmph.
"The railways' argument is that since infrastructure work is going on, it restricts the speed of Vande Bharat trains. But this is also true that in five years, it has failed to lay tracks suitable for running semi-high speed trains," the expert said requesting an-

However, the railway ministry maintains that Vande Bharat trains are very popular and till March 31, more than 2.15 crore people have travelled by it.

A total of 284 districts across the country have been connected to the Vande Bharat Express and This number will continue to increase in the future. A total of 102 Vande Bharat trains are providing services on 100 routes of the railway network," a railway official said.



# Elon Musk congratulates PM Modi. looking Forward to 'exciting work' in India

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New Delhi: Elon Musk, billionaire businessman and CEO of electric car manufacturer Tesla, congratulated Prime Minister Narendra Modi for returning to power after winning the Lok Sabha elections. Musk stated he looks forward to his companies doing "exciting work" in India.

"Congratulations Narendra Modi on your victory in the world's largest democratic elections! Looking forward to my companies doing exciting work in India," Musk wrote on X.

Narendra Modi was named as the Prime Minister-designate by President Draupadi Murmu today, and he is set to take oath for the third straight term on Sunday. Under his



leadership, the National Democratic Alliance (NDA) has won 293 out of the 543 seats in the Lok Sabha.

Just before the elections, Musk announced his India visit. However, it was later postponed due to "very heavy Tesla obligations".

In June last year, Musk and PM Modi held a discussion in the US. Upon the meeting, Musk called himself "fan of

Modi" and stated that Tesla would be investing in India.

He also noted that PM Modi was pushing the carmaker to make a "significant investment" in the country and even stated that such an an-

nouncement was expected soon.

"He [Modi] really cares about India because he's pushing us to make significant investments in India, which is something we intend to do ...I am confident that Tesla will be in India and will do so as soon as humanly possible," Musk told reporters after the 2023 meeting.

## Israel bombs another school in Gaza. kills 28 in strikes on refugee camps



#### **THE AMAN SANDESH TIMES**

New Delhi: As the war between Israel and Hamas continues to rage, the Israeli military bombed another United Nations-run school in northern Gaza on Friday, killing three people. The attack comes a day after a similar strike on a school in Gaza's center killed at least 33 people.

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Further, 28 people, including children, were killed in Israeli airstrikes overnight across central Gaza on Friday. Residents said tanks that have taken control along the borderline with Egypt made several raids towards the west and the center of the southern city, wounding several residents, news agency Reuters reported.

A day after an Israeli airstrike at a school in Gaza killed at least 33 people, the Israeli military on Friday bombed another school compound in northern Gaza, killing three people. In both airstrikes, the Israeli army said Hamas terrorists were operating from within the schools. On Friday, Israel also released the names of 17 terrorists it said were killed in Thursday's strike.

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Twenty-eight people, including children, were killed in Israeli airstrikes overnight across central Gaza. Strikes hit the Nuseirat and Maghazi refugee camps and Deir al-Balah and Zawaiyda towns on Friday. Israel's army said its troops had killed dozens of terrorists hiding in tunnel shafts and also destroyed infrastructure in the area.

A drone launched from Lebanon, likely by the Hezbollah terror group, landed in an open area in the Jezreel Valley, near Nazareth, in northern Israel on Friday afternoon, The Times of Israel reported. An interceptor missile was launched and sirens sounded in towns adjacent to Nazareth soon after the attack.

Hours later, Israeli fighter jets struck a Hezbollah rocket launcher and other infrastructure in southern Lebanon earlier on Saturday. Troops also shelled several locations with artillery and mortars to "remove threats", the military said. The Israel Defense Forces said a siren in the northern community of Matat was triggered by two rockets launched from Lebanon.

Pro-Palestinian activists demanding an end to the war in Gaza and American support for Israel plan to surround the White House during a weekend protest, prompting additional security measures, including anti-scale fencing. Reuters said the demonstrations were planned on Saturday, marking eight months of Israel's war in Gaza. United Nations Secretary-General Antonio

United Nations Secretary-General Antonio Guterres has added Israel's military to a global list of offenders for committing violations against children in 2023, said Israel's UN envoy Gilad Erdan, describing the decision as "shameful." Hamas and Palestinian Islamic Jihad will also be listed, said a diplomatic source, speaking on condition of anonymity. The global list is included in a report on children and armed conflict that Guterres is due to submit to the UN Security Council on June 14.

Jerusalem has fumed over the announcement with Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu saying, "The UN has put itself on the blacklist of history today when it joined the supporters of the Hamas murderers. The IDF is the most moral army in the world and no delusional decision by the UN will change that."

US Secretary of State Antony Blinken will travel to the Middle East next week, the US State Department said on Friday, as Washington tries to put pressure on Israel and Hamas to accept a ceasefire proposal that President Joe Biden laid out last week. In his eighth visit to the region since Hamas attacked Israel on October 7, the diplomat will visit Egypt, Israel, Jordan and Qatar and meet with their senior leaders.

The White House has said it was still awaiting an official response by Hamas to the latest hostage deal and ceasefire proposal for Israel's war against Hamas in Gaza. Spokesperson John Kirby told reporters that US President Joe Biden and French President Emmanuel Macron will discuss the issue during a meeting today.

# Denmark's Prime Minister Mette Frederiksen attacked in public, man arrested

#### **THE AMAN SANDESH TIMES**

Copenhagen: Denmark's Prime Minister Mette Frederiksen walked away following an assault by a man in central Copenhagen and had no outward signs of harm, a local resident told Reuters.

"Prime Minister Mette Frederiksen was beaten evening at Kultorvet (square, red.) in Copenhagen by a man who was subsequently arrested. The Prime Minister is shocked by the incident," her office said in a statement without giving further detail.

Police said on social media platform X they had arrested a man and were investigating the incident but declined to give further details. "She seemed a little stressed," Soren Kjergaard, who works as a barista on the square, told Reuters



after seeing the prime minister being escorted away by security following the assault.

The assault comes two days before Danes head to the polls in the EU election. Three weeks ago, Slovakia's Prime Minister Robert Fico was seriously injured in an assassination attempt.

Danish Minister of Environment Magnus Heunicke said on X, "Mette is naturally shocked by the attack. I must say that it shakes all of us who are close to her."

## Air Canada Boeing catches fire moments after takeoff. lands safely

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**Toronto**: An Air Canada Boeing Flight AC872 caught fire mid-air before taking off at Toronto Pearson Airport

The ghastly mishap happened on the evening of June 5. The Paris-bound aircraft experienced a terrifying ordeal that could have ended in tragedy.

The incident occurred thirty minutes into the flight as the plane was ascending from the runway. Flight tracker FlightAware reported that the plane departed from its gate at 8:46 pm but had to circle back and land at Toronto Pearson Airport at 9:50 pm.

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"Passengers will be accommodated on another aircraft departing Toronto later tonight," the airline noted. An Air Canada representative later said that the fire was caused by an engine compressor issue. "After the aircraft landed, it was inspected by airport response vehicles as per normal operating processes, and it taxied to the gate on its own," the representative told CP24. "The aircraft will be taken out of service for further evaluation by our maintenance and engineering professionals." The Boeing 777-300ER aircraft involved in this incident have been part of Air Canada's fleet since March 2008, and 19 of these aircraft are currently in active service.

On May 27, another flight bound for Delhi, India, encountered an engine issue shortly after take-off, necessitating a reroute. The Boeing 777-300ER is known for its robust design and has served Air Canada well over the years. However, these recent events have prompted questions about such aircraft's ongoing maintenance and inspection protocols.

### 9 UN staffers, aid workers detained



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**Dubai :** At least nine Yemeni employees of United Nations agencies have been detained by Yemen's Houthi rebels under unclear circumstances, authorities said, as the rebels face increasing financial pressure and airstrikes from a US-led coalition. Others working for aid groups also likely have

The detentions come as the Houthis, who seized Yemen's capital nearly a decade ago and have been fighting a Saudi-led coalition since shortly after, have been targeting shipping throughout the Red Sea corridor over the Israel-Hamas war in the Gaza Strip.

But while gaining more attention internationally, the secretive group has cracked down at dissent at home, including recently sentencing 44 people to death.

Regional officials, speaking to The Associated Press on condition of anonymity as they were not authorized to brief journalists, confirmed the UN detentions. Those held include staff from the United Nations human rights agency, its development program, the World Food Program and one working for the office of its special envoy, the officials said. The wife of one of those held is also detained.

The UN declined to immediately comment. The Mayyun Organization for Human Rights, which similarly identified the UN staffers held, named other aid groups whose employees were detained by the Houthis across four provinces the Houthis hold — Amran, Hodeida, Saada and Saana. Those groups did not immediately acknowledge the detentions.

"We condemn in the strongest terms this dangerous escalation, which constitutes a violation of the privileges and immunities of United Nations employees granted to them under international law, and we consider it to be oppressive, totalitarian, blackmailing practices to obtain political and economic gains," the organization said in a

statement.

Activists, lawyers and others also began an open online letter, calling on the Houthis to immediately release those detained, because if they don't, it "helps isolate the country from the world."

Yemen's Houthi rebels and their affiliated media organizations did not immediately acknowledge the detentions. However, the Iranian-backed rebels planned for weekly mass demonstrations after noon prayers Friday, when Houthi officials typically speak on their actions.

It's unclear what exactly sparked the detentions. However, it comes as the Houthis have faced issues with having enough currency to support the economy in areas they hold — something signaled by their move to introduce a new coin into the Yemeni currency, the riyal. Yemen's exiled government in Aden and other nations criticized the move as the Houthis turning to counterfeiting. Aden authorities also have demanded all banks move their headquarters there.

"Internal tensions and conflicts could spiral out of control and lead Yemen into complete economic collapse," warned Yemeni journalist Mohammed Ali Thamer in an analysis published by the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace.

Bloomberg separately reported that the US planned to further increase economic pressure on the Houthis by blocking their revenue sources, including a planned \$1.5 billion Saudi payment to cover salaries for government employees in rebel-held territory.

Thousands have been imprisoned by the Houthis during the war. An AP investigation found some detainees were scorched with acid, forced to hang from their wrists for weeks at a time or were beaten with batons. Meanwhile, the Houthis have employed child soldiers and indiscriminately laid mines in the conflict.

## Israeli forces batter central, south Gaza as tanks advance in Rafah

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Cairo: With a renewed cease-fire push in the eight-month-old Gaza war stalled, Israel bombarded central and southern areas again, killing at least 28 Palestinians, and tank forces advanced to the western edges of Rafah.

US-backed Qatari and Egyptian mediators have tried again this week to reconcile clashing demands preventing a halt to the hostilities, a release of Israeli hostages and Palestinians jailed in Israel, and an untrammelled flow of aid into Gaza to alleviate a humanitarian disaster. But sources close to the talks said there were still no signs of a breakthrough.

A month after rumbling into Rafah in what Israel said was



an assault to wipe out Hamas' last intact combat units, tankled forces have advanced to the southwest fringes of the city that skirts the Gaza Strip's border with Egypt, residents said. They said tanks were stationed in the al-Izba district near the Mediterranean coast while snipers had commandeered some buildings and high ground, trapping peo-

ple in their homes. They said Israel machinegun fire had made it too dangerous to go out.

Gaza health officials said two Palestinians had been killed and several wounded in western Rafah from tank shelling there. In central Gaza, Palestinians medics said

at least 15 people died overnight in Israeli bombardments.

In the larger city of Khan Younis just to the north of Rafah, an Israeli airstrike on a house killed eight people and wounded several, including children, medics said. In north Gaza, three Palestinians were killed in an Israeli airstrike on a Gaza City school building. — Reuters.

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#### **Election Commission Officially Starts** Assembly Polls Exercise in J&K



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**Srinagar**: The Election Commission of India (ECI) has officially started the process of holding Assembly elections in Jammu and Kashmir (J&K).

"The commission has decided to accept applications seeking allotment of common symbol under Para 10B of election symbols (Reservation & Allotment) order 1968 for the General Election to the legislative Assembly of Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir with immediate effect," said Jaydeb Lahiri, Secretary of the Election Commission of India through a Press note.

This follows the statement of Chief Election Commissioner (CEC), Rajiv Kumar, in which he said that the people of J&K would soon have their democratically-elected government in the Union Territory.

The last Assembly election was held in J&K in 2014 after which a coalition government of the BJP and the PDP headed by Mufti Mohammad Sayeed came to power. After Chief Minister Mufti Mohammad Sayeed's death in 2016, the coalition was headed by his daughter, Mehbooba

BJP withdrew from the coalition government on June 18, 2019 following which Mehbooba Mufti resigned as the Chief Minister.

Governor's Rule was imposed in J&K which was followed by President's

J&K was made a Union Territory on August 5, 2019 when Articles 370 and 35A were abrogated. Since then the Union Territory of J&K has been headed by the Lieutenant Governor.

## After 2024 Election Setback, Yoqi Adityanath Chairs key meet

#### **THE AMAN SANDESH TIMES**

**Lucknow:** Following the unsatisfactory performance of the Bhartiya Janata Party (BJP) in the 2024 Lok Sabha elections in Uttar Pradesh, Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath has called a meeting of all ministers today.

The meeting began at Lucknow's Lok Bhawan at 11 am. The chief minister instructed all ministers to remain present in the meeting.

The primary agenda of the meeting includes a thorough review of the departmental work undertaken by the

Additionally, there will be an in-depth discussion on the feedback received from the public, aiming to identify and address any governance issues that may have influenced the election outcome. Furthermore, chief minister Yogi Adityanath will review the recruitment process for the vacant posts in another meeting scheduled for 6 pm.

He will meet with officers from various



commissions and recruitment boards. This includes the UPPCL, UPSC Subordinate City Selection Commission, and the Police Recruitment and Promotion Board.

The remarkable performance by the IN-DIA bloc, led by Samajwadi Party chief Akhilesh Yadav and Congress leader Rahul Gandhi, has dealt a significant blow to the BJP-led NDA's target of securing '400 seats' in the 2024 Lok Sabha

In contrast to the 2014 and 2019 general elections, when the BJP secured 71 and 62 seats respectively, this time the BJP secured just 33 seats. Whereas Samajwadi Party won 37 seats,

and Congress secured six seats. Earlier, Yogi Adityanath also announced to resume of 'Janta Darshan', which was stopped for the last two months in Uttar Pradesh due to the imposition of the election model code of conduct will resume again.

According to the information given by the Chief Minister's Office, CM Yogi Adityanath will go among the public every day from 9 am to 2 pm and listen to their problems and will also immediately instruct the officials for redressal. With this initiative, the people of the state will get an opportunity to bring their problems to the notice of the Chief Minister, and at the same time, immediate redressal will also be possible.

# Media legend Ramoji Rao dies at 87. PM Modi expresses condolences

#### THE AMAN SANDESH TIMES

New Delhi: Ramoji Rao, media baron and the founder of Eenadu and Ramoji Film City died in Hyderabad today morning. According to news agency, Ramoji died while he was undergoing treatment at a hospital in the city.

He breathed his last at 3.45 am. Following Rao's demise, Prime Minister Narendra Modi extended condolences to his family, friends and admirers.

Sharing a picture of himself with Rao, the Prime Minister said Ramoji Rao was a visionary who revolutionised Indian media.

"The passing away of Shri Ramoji Rao Garu is extremely saddening. He was a visionary who revolutionized Indian media. His rich contributions have left an indelible mark on journalism and the world of films. Through his noteworthy efforts, he set new standards for innovation and excellence in the media and enter-



tainment world," the Prime Minister tweeted.

"Ramoji Rao Garu was extremely passionate about India's development. I am fortunate to have got several opportunities to interact with him and benefit from his wisdom. Condolences to his family, friends and countless admirers during this difficult time. Om Shanti," he added. Telangana BJP chief and party MP

G Kishan Reddy also said he was saddened by Rao's passing away.

"His remarkable contributions to Telugu media and journalism is commendable. My deepest condolences to his family members. Om Shanti, he wrote on X.

Ramoji Rao, born on November 16, 1936, was a businessman, media entrepreneur, and film producer. He was the head of the Ramoji Group which included the world's larg-

est film production facility, Ramoji Film City, Eenadu newspaper, ETV Network of TV channels, and film production company Usha Kiran

Ramoji Rao's other business ventures include Margadarsi Chit Fund, Dolphin Group of hotels, Kalanjali shopping mall, Priya pickles, and Mayuri Film Distributors.

#### Farmer's daughter who failed in class II becomes deputy collector in MP



#### THE AMAN SANDESH TIMES

**Indore**: Farmer's daughter, who once failed in Class 11, has become a deputy collector by coming in sixth in the Madhya Pradesh Public Service Commission (MPPSC) examination.

Priyal Yadav's story serves as an inspiration and is a testament to how hard work and perseverance can help one overcome hurdles.

"I was a topper till Class 10. However, due to pressure from relatives, I opted for physics, chemistry and mathematics in Class 11 despite lack of interest in these subjects and failed physics," the 27-year-old said.

However, this was the "first and last failure" in her academic life, she said.

Priyal secured 19th rank in the MPPSC exam in 2019 and was selected for the post of district registrar. In her next attempt in 2020, she got the 34th rank and was chosen for the post of assistant commissioner in the cooperative department.

Currently posted as district registrar in Indore, Priyal secured the sixth rank in the MPPSC examination 2021, the results of which

were declared evening. Her father is a farmer and mother is a housewife.

"I hail from a rural area where girls marry young, but my parents did not pressure me to get married and gave me complete freedom to pursue my studies," said Priyal, who has now set her sights on becoming an IAS officer.

She wants to prepare for the Union Public Service Commission exams while working as a deputy collector in the state, she said. According to an official, Prival was among the top 10 candidates selected for the post of deputy col-

lector in the MPPSC examination

An advertisement was issued for recruitment to 290 posts under the MPPSC 2021. But due to the pending case in the Madhya Pradesh High Court over 27 per cent reservation to the other backward classes in government jobs, the selection result of 87 per cent of posts has been declared at pres-

ent, he said. Selections for the remaining 13 per cent of posts will be announced after the court's verdict in the case, the official said.

# After UP stunner, Congress announces 'Dhanyawaad Yatra' in • THE AMAN CANDECU TIMES State From June 11-15

#### **NATHE AMAN SANDESH TIMES**

Lucknow: Buoyed by its impressive performance in Uttar Pradesh, the Congress has announced that it will take out a 'dhanyawaad yatra' from June 11 to 15 in all 403 constituencies of the state.

Senior party leaders and workers are expected to participate in the

During the yatra, people from different communities will be honoured by giving a copy of the Constitution.

The Congress won six of 80 Lok Sabha seats in Uttar Pradesh while its INDIA ally Samajwadi Party (SP) secured 37. Both parties trumped the BJP that managed 33

It was a marked improvement for both SP and Congress after they won just one and five seats, re-



polls. The BJP swept the state with

Rahul Gandhi defeated BJP rival Dinesh Pratap Singh with over three lakh votes in Raebareli, a seat that was earlier represented by her mother, Sonia Gandhi. According to the Election Commission, Rahul Gandhi surpassed his mother's victory margin in Raebareli in 2019, when she won the seat by a margin state.

of 1,67,178 votes against Dinesh Pratap Singh. On the other hand, BJP's Smriti Irani, who unseated Rahul Gandhi from Amethi, another Congress bastion in the 2019 elections, lost to Kishori Lal Sharma, a Congress loyalist, by a margin of over 1.65 lakh votes.

Other parties, including the Rashtriya Lok Dal (RLD), led by Jayant

Chaudhary and Apna Dal (Soneylal), both of which are allies of the BJP-led NDA won two and one, respectively. The Aazad Samaj Party (Kanshi Ram) also managed a victory in one seat.

Uttar Pradesh has the highest number of Lok Sabha seats (80) and assembly constituencies (403) in the

#### Vande Bharat lady loco pilot to attend PM-elect Modi's oath taking cetemony

#### **♦**THE AMAN SANDESH TIMES

Chennai: Senior assistant loco pilot Aiswarya S Menon of Southern Railway's Chennai Division will attend the oath-taking ceremony of Narendra Modi as prime minister for a third term, a statement from the Southern Railway said.

Menon, who currently operates the premium Vande Bharat trains, is amongst ten loco pilots who have been invited for the ceremony slated to be held on June 9 in New Delhi, it added.

Menon, an experienced loco pilot with the Chennai Division, has accomplished the achievement of completing



more than two lakh footplate hours, piloting trains including the Vande Bharat Express and Jan Shatabdi.

She has also received accolades from senior officials for her awareness, agility, and thorough understanding of railway signalling.

Menon currently operates trains in Southern India, including premium trains such as the Chennai-Vijayawada Chennai-Coimbatore and Vande Bharat Express services since their introduction.

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